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MARITIME STRIKE BALLOTING IS UNDER WAY

"Western" Expose of Fascist Plan Rouses Atascadero Area

PROGRESSIVES MOVE TO FIGHT ON TERRORISM

"Silver Shirts" Plan Concentration Camps

ATASCADERO — Feeling is running high among the liberals and progressives of this community as a result of the Western Worker's exposure of terroristic plans being foisted by local Silver Shirts. Disgust and contempt is generally being expressed by both workers and professionals for these murderous minded Fascists who are gathering strength in order to beat and torture human beings because of their religious beliefs, and political opinion.

Disclosure of the fact that the terrorists had discussed in secret meeting a plan to convert a cattle corral located on the Finch ranch into concentration camp for local Jewish people, Communists, Epics and trade unionists, has further incensed honest and respectable people hereabout.

The Silver Shirts are in very much of a dither as a result of (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 1)

Browder To Blast Hearst's Plots

How Hitler and Mussolini are getting their say in the American presidential elections, via their pal and admirer and paid press-agent, William Randolph Hearst, will be exposed in a coast-to-coast broadcast next Friday, October 23, by Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President of the United States.

Browder's broadcast will go on the air from 7:45-8 p.m. in California over stations KFI, Los Angeles, and KPO, San Francisco.

Communist Party members and sympathizers are urged to form radio parties to tune in on the broadcast and to hold discussions.

Funds to finance these broadcasts are desperately needed to carry on the fight against Fascism and reaction in the election campaign, and should be sent to State Campaign Headquarters, 121 Haight St., San Francisco; County Campaign Headquarters, 230 South Spring St., Los Angeles; or any Communist Party headquarters.

Popular Front Must Be United Against Fascism, Says Blum

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Bridges, At Mass Meet, To Expose King Frameup

OAKLAND — A complete picture of the waterfront situation will be given by Harry Bridges, Pacific Coast I.L.A. District President, at the King-Ramsay-Conner defense mass meeting in Oakland Civic Auditorium next Friday, Oct. 23. The meeting will start at 8 p.m.

Bridges will show the connection between the Point Lobos frameup case and the shipowners' attempts to smash the maritime unions.

Trial of Earl King, secretary of the Marine Firemen, of the Pacific, E. G. Ramsay, and Frank J. Conner is set for Oct. 26. The charge against them is complicity in the murder of Engineer Alberts of the Point Lobos is characterized by Bridges as a complete frameup.

William Spooner, secretary of the Alameda Labor Council, will preside at Friday's meeting. Speakers will include J. E. Ferguson, secretary pro-tem of the Firemen; Kasper Bauer, Butchers Union leader, and the Rev. Earl N. Griggs.

Order 'Western's Election Issue!

Voting day is near!

And next Friday, off the Western Worker presses will roll 50,000 copies of the Special Election Issue, analyzing what the polls mean to the working people, the small farmers, and the middle-class of California.

Progress or Reaction, Democracy versus Fascism, the central issue of the 1936 election campaign, will be analyzed in bread-and-butter terms, showing the necessity of rolling up a huge Communist vote for Earl Browder and James W. Ford, Communist presidential candidates.

Pictures of all Communist candidates on the California ballot, the Communist position on the ballot, the Communist platform for the day-to-day needs of the masses of the people—these are some of the features that will make you want to keep this issue for reference on November 3rd, that will make you want to circulate it among your friends, neighbors, and fellow workers.

Send-in bundle orders, immediately to the business office of the Western Worker, 121 Haight St., San Francisco. Rates are 1/2 cents per copy in bundles of 100 and up, 2/2 in lesser bundles. Order your bundle now!

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BOYCOTT HURTS BIG GROWERS IN SALINAS AREA

Doss and Shevlin In New Move To Hurt Lettuce Strike

(See Page 2 for further news on Doss' and Shevlin's attempts to break strikers' ranks.)

SALINAS — Mass picketing continues in the Salinas Valley lettuce strike, but no thanks to the reactionary Fruit and Vegetable Workers' Union Secretary Doss and President Shevlin.

Last Friday saw a peaceful parade of 1000 strikers down Main Street, in the business section, and then back to the Labor Temple.

Police Chief Griffin first denied a permit, but had to reverse his stand.

The effectiveness of the boycott on "hot lettuce," even though the boycott has not been pushed to the limit by reactionary labor officials, was seen in the fact that 300 carloads of lettuce remain on the tracks, not moving.

100 strikers are in jail, under charges of violating the anti-picketing law, "rioting," unlawful assembly, dynamiting, etc.

Three strikers were arrested on charges of an "assault" on a strikebreaker after police combed a house in a frameup search for "home-made bombs."

Bombings here are the work of the shipper-growers, and it is reported of provocateurs in the unions, so that Doss might frame up progressive strikers.

Since their reelection as secretary and president respectively last week, Doss and Shevlin have begun an intensified red-baiting campaign to split the ranks of the strikers and pave the way for a betrayal of the strike.

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NO ACCIDENT



"WE'RE NOT IN NAVY," BRIDGES TELLS ADMIRAL

Council Delegates Hear That Unions Remain United

SAN FRANCISCO — San Francisco organized labor heard from delegates of the Marine Firemen and the I.L.A. at Friday night's Labor Council meeting, that the maritime unions remain united, in the taking of coastwise strike votes.

Both Harry Bridges, reporting as a delegate from I.L.A. Local 38-79, and Delegate Stern of the Marine Firemen, stated that capitalist press reports to the contrary, the union's unity remains solid in the face of the shipowners' arrogance.

Firemen Blast Press Lies

Stern told the Council that the Marine Firemen instituted their ballot last Thursday night, and newspaper reports that the Firemen were against a ballot were false.

"On October 28, if no agreement has been reached, we'll hit the bricks with every other maritime union, and our organization on the Gulf and East Coasts will be with us," Stern said.

Bridges, referring to the arbitrary attitude of the Maritime

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SAY MADRID IMPREGNABLE

Round-up of Fascist Spies Made

MADRID — Defense of Spain's capital against the Fascist armies driving against it, will be an impregnable series of fortifications, inside and outside the city, declared government officials here.

Even should the Fascists succeed in piercing the outer fortifications, the city will be strong enough to repel them, said officials.

Police round-up of Fascists and Fascist sympathizers in Madrid was hailed by the press, praising the police efficiency.

Trial began with selection of a jury from 225 veniremen.

L.A. Council Buried Vice Graft Proof

LOS ANGELES — How firmly entrenched is graft in Los Angeles was indicated here when the City Council consigned to the oblivion of dusty archives files containing hundreds of addresses of vice and gambling establishments on the recommendation of Councilman Earl C. Gay, who accidentally found twelve files on vice and gambling while he was housecleaning his desk.

Many of these files have been submitted by citizens outraged by the corruption in the police department, which has declared there is no vice in Los Angeles, but there is no record that the addresses have ever been investigated.

One of the files dealt with Rube Crawford Spivak's campaign in 1935 to expose Mayor Frank L. Shaw's and Police Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis vice connections.

San Diego Butchers And Teamsters Hit 65 Stores In Strike

SAN DIEGO — Sixty-five chain stores are hit by a strike of union butchers and teamsters, which started late last week.

Butchers International vice president T. J. Loyd said that butchers of Seattle and Portland were also planning to strike.

The strike here started after Butchers and Teamsters Union officials had negotiated without success for 75 days, seeking union recognition.

Strike Montgomery Ward In Stockton

STOCKTON — Montgomery Ward's was closed down 100 percent when 30 of its employees struck for union recognition, an \$18 minimum wage and the 48-hour week. The strikers picketed the store with the assistance of I.L.A. Local 38-22.

Special Notice!

Communist Party organizers in the following counties are requested to wire in orders for the 50,000-copies Special Election Issue of the Western Worker not later than Thursday noon, October 22nd:

San Diego, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Barbara, San Bernardino, Monterey, Merced, Fresno, Stockton, Tulare, Fort Bragg, Contra Costa, Arizona and Nevada. Money orders must accompany all orders, at 1½ cents per copy for bundles of 100 or more copies.

LEADS PACIFIC COAST I.L.A.



HARRY BRIDGES, President of the Pacific Coast District, International Longshoremen's Assn., who is the leader of the dock workers in their fight against abolition of the hiring hall.

PEDRO BACKS STRIKE VOTE

38-82 Unanimous; Boo Peterson

SAN PEDRO — A unanimous vote of confidence in the District Executive Board of the I.L.A. was given by San Pedro Local 38-82, following a talk by Harry Bridges before the local last Thursday.

Over 1500 members of the local heard Bridges and Lee Ghoshen, executive Board member from San Pedro.

Demand Reduction

Plans are going forward rapidly to form a representative committee to be broadened to cover the whole of the San Fernando valley farming area.

The committee will present demands for a drastic reduction in the water rates of all small farmers so that in competition with the large growers they will have a chance to make a decent living from their crops and labor.

The present rate for small farmers is 13 cents for 100 cubic feet as compared with one and one half cents for 100 cubic feet given by the membership.

"Pedro Pete" wanted to know why a strike vote was being taken for Oct. 28th, when after

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S. Fernando Small Farmers Fight On High Water Rates

S. FERNANDO — Declaring that obvious discrimination is being used against them by the Los Angeles Municipal Water and Power Dept. in charging excessive irrigation rates, militant small farmers of the West San Fernando valley have begun a campaign to form a Small Farmer's Council to present demands that they be given the same water rates as the large bank-owned farms in this area.

Main Issues of Unions

I. L. A.—Union control of hiring hall and six-hour day.

Sailors' Union of the Pacific—Union hiring hall and cash payment for overtime.

Marine Firemen, Oilers,

IMPERIAL CO. ANTI-PICKET DRIVE PLANNED

**Valley-Wide Attacks
On Agricultural
Labor Is Set**

CALIPATRIA—Plans for a proposed ordinance against picketing are to be made in an Imperial Valley-wide meeting of city and county officials, police and sheriffs, to be held at El Centro on Thursday.

All city councils will be asked to adopt the ordinance. It will be presented to county supervisors also, to make the anti-picketing ordinance general in all Imperial Valley municipalities.

Valley-Wide Attack

District Attorney Head and Mayor Wilkinson and Police Chief Wood of Calipatria are prime movers in the valley-wide attack on agricultural as well as all labor.

Their desire is to make it impossible to picket in unincorporated areas as well as incorporated areas.

The move is being made in preparation for the winter vegetable crop, in an attempt to prevent organization of the agricultural workers and struggle for better wages.

Fascist Plans Rouse Atascadero

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the sudden publicity given their contemptible schemes, and are already attempting to "explain." But whipping, torture, and concentration camps cannot be explained away, being the very core of the "Christian" Party set-up.

Move for Investigation

Fascist pains are increased by the move being undertaken by liberals to present the Silver Shirt case to District Attorney Van Wormer for investigation. Locally it is felt that action should not be delayed until after some worker or Jew has been beaten up or lashed, but that local authorities should at once institute proceedings to break up the terrorist band.

To this end mass pressure is being brought to bear, including the as yet unorganized workers and small farmers, while the A. F. G. E. (W.P.A. union) and Epic Club may be expected to lead in voicing the demand that something be done about the silver shirts.

District Attorney Van Wormer is himself something of a red-baiter and boasts of having received through the Associated Farmers (the big money "farmers" who farm the farmers!) photographs of all agricultural union organizers in California. But the Fascist terrorists find little comfort in this fact, for they know that mass pressure can compel law enforcement from even the most reactionary officials.

Arnold on the Spot

Now are members of the Board of Supervisors wearing any broad grins since the Western Worker publicized the local Fascist mess. This is especially true of Supervisor Claud Arnold, in whose district Atascadero is located, and who is up for reelection this fall.

It is known that Arnold and his fellow board members were long ago supplied with Jewish baiting, anti-labor literature by the local Silver Shirts. The decent, non-Fascist workers and farmers of Mr. Arnold's district think it is time this candidate for county office expressed himself on the subject of the Silver Legion and vigilante terrorism.

Cattle rancher "Tex" Cassidy, Communist-hating head of Atascadero's American Legion Post, was to have addressed the Silver Shirts soon on the subject, "Combating Communism." In view of the grim facts that have come to light about his Fascist friends, Tex may decide not to fulfill his speaking date.

All the facts concerning the Fascist terrorists of this county have not yet been divulged, and it is likely that further disclosures will find their way into print before the shameful mess is cleaned up.

SF Laborers Give \$500 To Salinas; Others Give \$100

SAN FRANCISCO—Far from slacking down, San Francisco organized labor's support of the Salinas lettuce strike is growing.

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BEAT A FASCIST



SHAW KIDS NO ONE IN STAND ON MARITIME

**Claims He's Neutral
But He's All For
Arbitration**

LOS ANGELES—Maritime workers are wondering just who Mayor Shaw fancies he is fooling. If it is them, they hasten to inform him that he doesn't come even close to accomplishing his aims if the best he has to offer is the letter sent last week to Maritime unions and waterfront employers and shipowners.

Following a resolution adopted by the Sailors Union of the Pacific which denounces him for preparing an army of 400 police, armed with tear gas, guns and clubs, to invade San Pedro in the event of a strike, Shaw's letter is pathetically absurd, especially when he says: "I pledge my co-operation to both sides in accomplishing such a settlement."

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Small Farmers In Unity With Milk Union In Fight

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OAKLAND—Organized labor's solidarity with the small farmers was again displayed when the Alameda Central Labor Council placed one of the large milk distributors on the unfair list, because its farms are being picketed in southern Alameda County.

Milkmen Union members are doing the picketing. They are being supported by the small dairy farmers, as recently reported in the Western Worker.

The East Bay Milk Dealers Association represents the large dairy interests. Reactionary secretary Silvertown of the Milk Wagon Drivers did his best to sabotage the fight when he stated that "we have no quarrel with the dealers. This is a quarrel between the dealers and the Milkmen Union. We do not wish to become involved."

Smith Tries To Teach Fascism

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Oct. 26th the U. S. Maritime Commission would be legally set up and "it would be impossible for us to strike?"

Bridges brought out that it was not within the power of the Marine Commission to take away from the maritime unions the right to strike, "and if it is necessary to convince the shipowners that we intend to keep our gains, well, we did it in '34 and we can do it again in '36 if necessary."

Peterson's resignation from the Emergency Publicity Committee was unanimously accepted by the membership. "We don't need no I.L.A. Paul Scharenberg on our committees," a militant young longshoreman remarked between the cheers.

Even greater need for unity between the longshoremen and the sea-going crafts was stressed by Bridges in concluding. "We feel certain that the positive program proposed by the I.L.A. District Board of carefully planning strike measures and in a united fashion working to keep our gains and improve our conditions will be concurred in by the membership of the sea-going crafts."

Another outstanding feature of the meeting was the pledge of solidarity given by an American Student Union delegation lead by Edwin Alexander Jr., Southern California student organizer. Loud cheers were given to Hershel Alexander, young Negro representative of the American Negro Congress when he was introduced.

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Call us lunatics if they will, but we're about to take over the government."

Although the meeting was supposed to be a Lemke-for-President rally, the official Lemke committee here would have nothing to do with it. Neither would Edward J. Margett, California Townsend manager, although he was offered complete charge of the affair and the returns from the collection.

Townsend Ignores Smith

Rank-and-file Townsendites have little to do with the Fascist Smith.

Robert Noble, leader of the Smith faction in the Coughlin-Lemke Union Party, was "proud to put on this meeting for Dr. Smith."

Noble, it will be remembered, said some time ago in a debate with John Leech, Communist Party organizer here:

"I don't like the term 'workers.' I am not a 'worker' and I never intend to work. All we need is more ice cream and maybe gin. Let's think of ourselves as the leisure class—not as workers."

Power Interests Win Decision In Fight On TVA Project

NASHVILLE—Power interests won their first decision in the fight to have the Tennessee Valley Authority declared unconstitutional, when Federal Judge Gore denied a TVA motion for dismissal of the suit brought by 19 power companies.

Council for the power companies is headed by former secretary of war Newton D. Baker. The power companies intend to take their fight against the be a "Red"—a full-blooded Indian.

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SHE DEPORTS



FRANCES PERKINS, Secretary of Labor, poses as a liberal, but doesn't act like one. She just ordered Otto Miller, anti-Nazi editor; Alfred Miller, anti-Nazi working-class editor in Chicago, deported to Nazi Germany, where torture and perhaps death awaits him.

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Admiral In SF, Confers; Unions United On Vote

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SAN FRANCISCO—Admiral Hamlet, sent to the Coast by the Maritime Commission, conferred with I.L.A. representatives, those of the Sailors, and Plant and other shipowners' representatives.

The Joint Negotiations Committee statement on Friday re-affirming the unanimous stand of the unions on the strike ballot, follows:

Complete Unity

"This statement is issued to stress the fact that there is a complete unity in the joint negotiating committee representing all the maritime unions on the action taken October 14.

False and malicious rumors

to the effect that the affiliated unions of the Maritime Federation are not united on a program with respect to the present controversy are absolutely untrue and without foundation and have been spread purposely to create confusion among the maritime workers.

The maritime workers remember too well that the solidarity of 1934 won for them concessions from the ship owners and established their unions on a solid and sound basis. This solidarity and unity has not been disturbed either in the various committees nor among the workers on the job.

At the meeting held today,

representatives of the maritime unions reiterated their position regarding the program adopted on October 14, namely to take as soon as possible the necessary steps to institute a strike vote of the entire membership, thus giving authority to the joint negotiations committee to call a strike if necessary in case agreement is reached on fundamental issues reached on fundamental issues by October 28."

The statement went on to list the fundamental issues which cannot be left to a third person in arbitration (mentioned on Page 1). The statement was signed by E. D. Coester for the Sailors; F. M. Kelley for the Engineers; G. Charlton for the Masters, Mates and Pilots; H. Gray for the Firemen; A. Jackson for the Telegraphists; Henry Schmidt for the I.L.A. and J. Connors for the Cooks and Stewards.

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LABOR AND POLITICS

By John Broman

What Chester Rowell, columnist for the Landon-supporting S.F. Chronicle, ever did to get a reputation as "liberal," is beyond understanding, judging by a recent column in which he viciously slandered the Negro people and came out for "legal" lynchings.

Wrote this phoney "liberal":
"It is all just as plain as is the other fact that the persons we defend against lynching are nearly all murderers, white or black, or rapists if black. Now murderers and rapists are not nice people, and they have very few rights."

But they have one right which should be inviolable. That is the right to be tried and hanged by the law and not by a mob. It may make little difference to them by which rope they are hanged, but it makes an enormous difference to the community. One rope represents the institutions of civilization; the other signalizes the breakdown of those institutions."

Hearst-Liberty League "Line"
It is only necessary to add on the tombstone of Rowell's "liberal" reputation, that he does not campaign for the Hearst-Liberty League candidate, Alf Landon, for nothing. When he viciously slanders the Negro people like this, he is giving the "line" of these Fascist-minded gentr.

If Landon is elected, the Negro people can expect the above words of Rowell to be put into practice.

Abraham Lincoln must have rolled over many times in his grave, thinking of what has happened to the Republican Party which he led in founding.

Ford Warns Negro People . . .
It was such threats as these against the Negro people that caused James W. Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President to warn his people against following the Republican Party in the 1936 elections.

The Republican Party of 1936 is not the Republican Party of 1860," said Ford, in his San Francisco speech. "The Republican Party of 1936 is the one around which the forces of reaction are gathering.

I loathe and detest those Negro leaders of the Republican Party who are trying to palm off Alf Landon as a second Abraham Lincoln."

To vote for the rights of the Negro people means to vote for Earl Browder and James W. Ford, the straight Communist ticket.

Nazis Back G.O.P..

1. Last week the Western Worker exposed the direct organizational links in Los Angeles between the Republican Party on one side, and the Fascist Silver Shirts, Ku Klux Klan, and Friends of New Germany, the latter Nazi outfit, on the other side.

2. Still further confirmation came when the German-American Bund of New York, which is financed by Hitler to carry on Fascist propaganda in the United States, came out with an endorsement for Alf Landon.

3. It's generally known that Hearst receives \$400,000 from the Hitler payroll to carry on Nazi propaganda in his four scandal sheets.

Add up 1, 2 and 3 and we get the answer by simple arithmetic: The Landon gang, composed of Wall Street, Hearst and the Liberty League, want to set up a Hitler-like dictatorship in the United States.

And the answer means to the American working people, farmers, and middle-class—who all hate and abhor such a Fascist set-up—that they must go to the polls on November 3rd and defeat Landon at all costs. That's the Communist Party answer.

Roosevelt's No Answer . . .

But the Communist Party answer does not mean to the American people support for F.D.R. The President's speeches, in which he continually repeats that he is no threat to Wall Street, Hearst and the Liberty League and only pays lip-service to the people's needs, proves this to a T.

The Communist answer is vote for Browder and Ford, the candidates who stand for building a Farmer-Labor Party that can win the people's demands and beat the Fascist double-cross.

\$10,000 Bet Says Pro-Landon Poll Is "Fixed"

NEW YORK.—There's a man in New York that is willing to bet \$10,000 against the accuracy of the Literary Digest poll on the elections, reports the New York Sunday News, and at two-to-one odds.

HIGH BATTING AVERAGE FOR BAKERSFIELD

Gets 13 Recruits In Browder-Ford Drive

Bakersfield, Calif.

Dear Comrades:

This is our first oil workers we have recruited, but we are determined to establish a Communist Party unit in oil. We have another old member and three good contacts to work with.

This makes 13 members. Bakersfield has recruited in the Browder-Ford Membership Drive since the 7th of September, and the last one was recruited on October 7th. Now don't say that it is only 12 as we must receive credit for a Filipino worker we recruited in San Francisco, by one of our own comrades.

We pledge 13 more new members by November 7th and 52 all total by January 21st, and we pledge to build the agricultural union by 800 per cent by the same date.

And don't think we are kidding you. You don't know what good comrades we have recruited. We have increased our Western Worker bundle 66 per cent, and will make it 100 per cent by the end of the week and will get some subs too.

This is not my pledge but it has been passed by the whole membership.

Comradely yours,
Section Organizer.

Fulfill Your Pledge!

Our boy is off to you, Bakersfield!

Here is the state-wide report on recruiting for the first four weeks of the Browder-Ford Drive:

	Pledged	Recruited	%
San Francisco	264	117	44.3
Los Angeles	208	70	33.6
East Bay	106	43	40.5
Bakersfield	13	13	100
Merced	0	10	
Contra Costa	0	5	
San Mateo	0	4	133.3
Monterey	0	5	
San Diego	0	3	
Sacramento	12	3	25
Santa Barbara	0	2	
San Bernardino	0	1	
Santa Clara	0	1	
Eureka	0	1	
Fort Bragg	0	1	
Stockton	0	0	
Sonoma	0	0	
Nevada	5	0	
Arizona	0	0	
Tulare	0	0	
Fresno	0	0	
TOTALS	603	279	45.9

Enough said—the goose eggs speak for themselves.

Race Issue Again Hurts Workers In British Columbia

By a Worker Correspondent

VANCOUVER, B.C.—There was a rumor spread around here that a white crew would replace the Chinese crew at the Kerr Road Mill. There was a very good reason for the rumor, but it is not the same reason that many men suppose.

Quite a number of men applied for jobs as a result. They didn't realize it, but all they did was to help the company in its plans to cut wages.

Started By Company

A representative of the company spread the rumor. He said the Chinese crew was inefficient, etc. It developed that he had no intention of hiring anyone else, but only of making the Chinese work for less. He showed them the list of the applications for jobs and told them he would grant these applications if the Chinese didn't accept the cut.

We should all be wise to all this by now. The millowners will continue to hang us separately if they can. The employers brought the Chinese to this country for that purpose. Only one way we can beat it, and that is by Orientals and whites sticking together for decent wages all around.

Whitney Speaks At Opening of C.P. Headquarters

SAN FRANCISCO.—With Anita Whitney, candidate for Congress in the 4th District, speaking on the issues of the 1936 elections, the 27th Assembly District Branch of the Communist Party will open its headquarters at 1846 Union Street, near Laguna, on Thursday, October 22, 8 p.m.

The branch social committee announces entertainment and refreshments will follow.

Make the Labor Page of the Western Worker a real page of, by and for organized labor.

"SOCIALITE" STOOL PIGEON FACING JAIL AT VALLEJO

Blast Officials For Trying To Shield "Stoolie"

Bakersfield, Calif.

Dear Comrades:

PALO ALTO—A stoolpigeon, "socialite" or no "socialite."

And that's why workers at the All Party Progressives' headquarters here swore out a burglary warrant against Mrs. Marjorie Stevens for robbing files, despite officials' attempting to "blow the affair down."

Her attorney said Mrs. Stevens was active in digging up Communistic data, attending Communist and liberal meetings and reporting her "findings" to various organizations."

Mrs. Marj Warner, who swore out the warrant, said she and two other campaign workers returned to the office late in the afternoon and found Mrs. Stevens clutching a list of names removed from their telephone file.

Socialist Group

Mrs. Warner scored city and county officials who attempted to bulldoze her into letting the matter drop.

"We went first to the police department, but were referred to Judge B. Springer," said Mrs. Warner. "He displayed reluctance in issuing a warrant, and finally refused. Then we went to the district attorney's office in San Jose, where we were referred to Judge E. Hardy. He was reluctant too, not wanting to take the matter over Judge Springer's head.

Eventually, we got the warrant from the district attorney's office."

Jury Disagrees In Free Speech Trial

Progressives Tie Can To Labor-Hating Mayor

COMPTON.—Liberal and progressive forces in Compton saw a definite gain this week when it was learned that former Mayor C. S. Smith, labor-hating chain groceryman, is definitely out of office and no longer a major influence in local politics.

Smith, who was lately recalled along with some of his henchmen in the city council, had attempted to block the certification of his elected successor, Ray L. Ayler, but the district court of appeals turned down his request for an injunction to halt Ayler's taking of office.

Reactionary Gets Back In

Although Smith was beaten, one of the councilmen elected following the recall is Benjamin Cosgray, staunch supporter of Smith in a previous council. In the last regular election, Cosgray had been defeated by an opposing political clique, but this clique had been swept out of office along with Smith.

Two other newly elected councilmen are Wayne F. Bowen and George Whitaker. All four new officials will fill unexpired terms.

APPROVE C.I.O. ACTIVITIES

COLUMBIA, Utah—Carbon County Labor Council, in the heart of the Utah coal mining area, went on record approving the new ordinance, has indicated it will be rigidly enforced.

BEVERLY HILLS

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Write-In Vote Impractical

The physical difficulties that present themselves should be enough to consider such a campaign impractical. The name must be written just exactly right to the dot, each voter must furnish his own writing material for this, and if this one name is written wrong, the entire ballot is thrown out and your president-

HILL TALKS TO LABOR COUNCIL FACING JAIL AT VALLEJO

Workers Are Eager To Hear C.P. Nominee

VALLEJO—When Perry Hill, Communist candidate for Congress, 3rd District, asked permission to speak on his program before the Central Labor Council here last Friday night, President George P. Glineburgh replied: "We don't tolerate Communism here."

But when Hill pointed out that nine out of 12 unions approached had permitted him to speak, Glineburgh agreed to put it to a vote in democratic fashion.

In the vote, only one weak "no" was heard, and Hill spoke for 10 minutes on the threat of Fascism in California, as witness the Salinas terror, and the Communist program to fight reaction.

After Hill spoke, an international official of the Electricians arose and said: "What this young man has been telling you is the truth. I just came from Salinas."

Hill's only opponent is the deep-dyed reactionary incumbent, Frank Buck.

400 LISTENED



JAMES W. FORD

Communist candidate for Vice-President of the United States.

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LOS ANGELES.—Deadlocked for more than 12 hours on a "disturbing the peace" charge against four workers, a jury failed to agree and was discharged in Municipal Judge Wilbur E. Curtis' court last week. New trial was set for October 29th, 9:30 a.m., Division 7.

Jim Dell, James Carter, Malone Freeman and Edward McDowell had been arrested by police after the latter illegally broke up a peaceful Communist campaign rally in a free speech zone at Breed St. and Brooklyn Ave. on September 12th.

During the trial, several witnesses testified the only disorder they saw was when police threw tear-gas bombs and blackjacked a number of bystanders.

Grover Johnson, of the International Labor Defense, defended the workers.

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Britain Aids the Fascist War Mongers

THE REJECTION by the Earl of Plymouth, British Chairman of the Non-Intervention Committee of the Soviet demand that the Committee be called immediately to consider control of Portuguese ports is significant. It is a British move to scuttle the Soviet protest through the repetition of vague generalities about the upholding of the non-intervention agreement. All this while German and Italian arms and other war material continue to pour in to the Spanish Fascists through Portuguese ports.

Thus has Great Britain given concrete aid to the war-mongering plans of Hitler and Mussolini. The aid given the Spanish Fascists by their "comrades" in Germany and Italy are an important part of a Fascist maneuver to create the basis for a new world war, for an attack against the Soviet Union.

The establishment of a Fascist dictatorship in Spain would be an invaluable aid to Hitler and Mussolini. Besides strengthening the Fascist bloc, and directly menacing the French democratic government, the Fascists are anxious to obtain much needed Spanish raw material for war purposes.

The "neutrality" pact as it is now carried out is a tragic farce. No one knows better than British officials that the Soviet charges are true. Yet Britain's Lord Plymouth, chairman of the Non-Intervention Committee, refuses to act!

In the meantime, while arms deliveries are continuing from Germany and Italy to Franco, the Fascist nations are rushing through their war preparations. Hitler has announced he is about to reforify the Rhine, and is trying his utmost to impede the signing of the Anglo-Soviet naval pact.

The fight of the Spanish defenders of democracy, in the words of Comrade Stalin, is one "for freedom and liberation which is the concern of progressive humanity of the entire world."

It is a struggle of primary importance to the working class of the world. Pressure exerted by the British workers may yet force their government to the retreat from its cynical stand of winking an eye at aid to the Spanish Fascist while denouncing it sanctimoniously in public.

The American working class must act, too. Especially is that action more imperative as the Fascist hordes of Franco, bearing German and Italian arms and aided by Italian planes and German fliers, are pounding at the gates of Madrid.

All working class organizations are urged to adopt resolutions calling upon the United States to recognize and deal with the friendly, democratically-elected Government of Spain. Failure to do so means that objectively Washington is aiding the Spanish Fascists, carrying out the policies of Butchers Hitler and Mussolini!

All friends of democracy are urged to speed up their collection of funds to help buy bullets, guns, food, clothing and medicine for those heroic Spanish fighters who are embattled for the sake of "progressive humanity of the entire world!"

Townsendites, Support Progress

TOWNSEND PLAN supporters in California are urged to vote for the Hearst-Landon ticket.

The urging is made by Dr. Francis Townsend in person.

To the Communist Party, this announcement comes as no surprise. It definitely confirms what the Party has said from the beginning: **That William Lemke, so-called Union Party candidate, is merely a stalking horse for Landon.**

Dr. Townsend permitted the fascists, Father Coughlin and Rev. Gerald Smith, to drag him at their chariot wheels into the camp of Lemke... Now, when it is impossible to get Lemke on the California ballot, the Lemke managers quite naturally advise for Landon.

A year ago the Communist Party pointed to the danger of the Townsend movement being made into an adjunct of the reactionary Republican Party politicians. By Townsend's moves, that danger is made quite real. These people, seeking old age pensions, are being sold down the river into the camp of

the bitterest opponents of any sort of aid for the aged.

A year ago the Communist Party also emphasized that the labor movement, and particularly Labor's Non-Partisan League, could combat that danger by stretching out a hand of fellowship to the Townsend followers, in helping them to fight for genuine old age pensions. This was not done. And, therefore, reaction was greatly helped.

This California development can well stir Communist Party members to continue the good work of winning the Townsendites for the Farmer-Labor Party and for the defeat of Landon. Let that work be speeded forward, especially in California.

This is especially important, in view of Landon's impending visit to Los Angeles in a desperate effort to win this state for reaction.

Spread the Lettuce Boycott

FROM SALINAS comes news of more mass arrests of workers following tear gas barrages laid against picket lines. Vigilantes are again being sworn in by the depurization and arming of 75 men by Sheriff Carl Abbott. In the meantime, while these preparations are going on for the ruthless crushing of any attempt by the strikers to maintain picket lines, the shippers and growers still succeed in flooding the market with scab lettuce packed by strikebreakers.

The organized labor movement in the rest of California has not taken energetic enough measure to carry out the resolution adopted at the State Federation of Labor Convention in Sacramento last month. The resolution called for active boycott of all lettuce not marked with the union label. This resolution has not been carried out sufficiently. Now the resulting situation is more serious, and demands broader action.

In a good number of cities, including San Francisco, lettuce is being sold which, the sellers and handlers contend, is not packed in Salinas. However, it is a relatively simple thing to divert Salinas lettuce and have it marked as coming from any other section of the state. **What is needed now is a general boycott against all lettuce in California until the strike is settled.**

Such a movement should be commenced at once by Central Labor bodies in all areas throughout the state, and energetically pushed with a popular appeal for the support of all shoppers.

In this way perhaps enough pressure can be developed on the growers and shippers—and especially on the die-hard reactionary Associated Farmers—to force them to grant some concessions to the strikers.

Hearst's Man Friday Speaks For Landon

IN SAN FRANCISCO, John Francis Neylan, attorney for William Randolph Hearst and the Hearst interests, is actively campaigning in behalf of Landon and Knox.

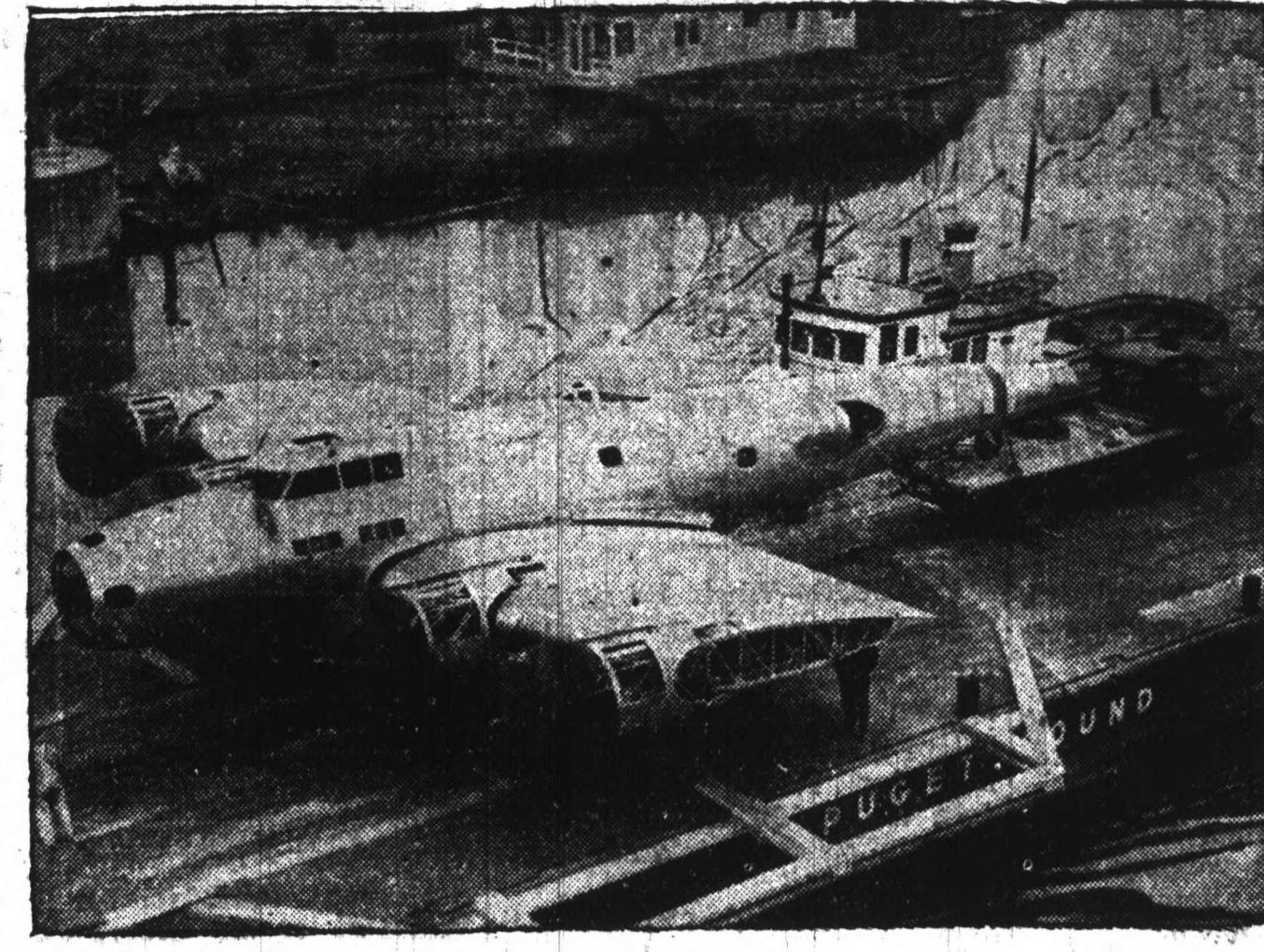
This is proper and fitting. Neylan is notorious as an open-shopper and strike-breaker. It was he who worked closely with General Johnson during the maritime strike in 1934 in an effort to smash the strike. It was he who urged the use of state troops in an effort to break that strike.

It is Neylan who periodically comes out with attacks against organized labor, and regularly tries to raise the "red scare."

Landon could find no more apt spokesman for his platform than this arch enemy of the organized labor movement and of democracy.

While his speech was a direct attack against the Roosevelt administration, Hearst's attorney said not one definite thing about what Landon proposes to do in order to help labor organize to win better conditions, and to safeguard democracy. Neither is this to be wondered at. For Landon's platform (and Hearst's) is dedicated to the exact opposite: it is aimed at robbing the American people of their democratic rights, and of instituting a new Era of the Open Shop in the United States.

We do not think Mr. Neylan's vitriolic phrases made much of a dent outside of the coupon-clipping club women to whom he spoke. Mr. Neylan is known to be Hearst's attorney. Hearst is known to be the enemy of everything decent in American life.

READY TO RAIN DEATH IN NEW WAR

One of 13 new giant bombers is brought by barge to the assembly plant at Boeing Field, Seattle. The 16-ton planes, each powered by four 1000-horsepower motors, have a 105-foot wingspread and a length of 70 feet. Each plane will have five machine-guns turrets. U. S. Government, like all imperialist powers, is feverishly preparing for a new world slaughter.

How To Recruit Communists In the Factory and the Union

By NAT DAVIS

One of the surest guarantees for the building of a strong Farmer-Labor Party, as a People's Front against Fascism, is the existence of a strong Communist Party.

In the union he comes forward with progressive ideas.

He aims to make the union a class-struggle weapon; he convinces his fellow union members, by cold facts, by examples from other and progressive unions, what a powerful weapon the union can be in bringing a greater measure of happiness to the worker and his family.

The Communist As Progressive

He exposes reactionary, corrupt or racketeering union officials. He does not do so in such a way that his union brothers and sisters gain the impression that he, who is known now, or at any rate will some day be known as a Communist, opposes the union official to eliminate the most progressive person in the shop or union, the one who will make more trade union members in the shop or more progressives in the union.

It would be foolish to say in an article, speaking for every case, when a Communist should come out as a Communist, when he should not and how long he should not.

Circumstances are different in each union, and in each place of work.

But the workers sooner or later must know that there is a Communist in the shop or in the union, if the workers are to be brought closer to the Communist position and into the Communist Party.

And there should be no such thing as a Communist, for an undivided long period, hiding his identity from everyone in the shop or union. Some of the most trustworthy workers can be safely told within a reasonable period that the Communist is a Communist Party member.

How To Recruit

The Communist in the factory, on the dock or ship who hasn't recruited new Communists year after year is no real Communist.

How does a Communist go about recruiting to the Party, how long does he wait before approaching workers to join?

He paves the way for it, as has been said, by showing himself as the constant upholder and reflector of the workers' desires and hopes, by building the union in the unorganized and the organized place of work both. He gains the confidence of his fellow-workers. He sees that they get appropriate Party literature—and tries to fit that literature to the particular issues, both in the shop and union and in general, which are agitating the workers at the moment. He utilizes the Western Worker, marking items of special interest. He of course gets the literature in the workers' hands by using his judgment as to the situation in the plant or union.

Having talked with them, so-called with them, shown that he is but one of them, that what he stands for and fights for is what they stand for and want, he has gotten to know who are the readiest for recruitment as Communists. He takes the best contacts to Party meetings, affairs, open unit meetings.

Communists have the fullest faith in the masses of workers. They cannot, having won workers closer to the Party position, express such ideas as "So-and-So agrees with us, but he'd never make a good Communist, he's too dumb" or "she's too old" or "too young" or "too slow to learn," or "still has screwy ideas about this or that"—some single point like religion, for instance.

Workers don't have to be anywhere near full-fledged theoreticians to be ripe for recruitment into the Party. Workers can't all display the same degree of alertness to learn, or the same degree of energy to act. But when they have become convinced of the correctness of the Communist program as a whole, they are ready to join the Party.

Permanent Contacts

Single points of unclarity they will do away with in the course of their life in the Party, in the course of the education the Party gives its members.

It is not correct to keep good, sincere workers who have shown themselves as such, as permanent

AS WE SEE IT

By BILL SCHNEIDERMAN,

California State Secretary, Communist Party, U.S.A.

Landon In California

WHEN LEMKE announced his candidacy for President, the Communist party declared: "Lemke is a stooge for Landon." When Dr. Townsend issued his slogan, "Anybody but Roosevelt," the Communist Party said this could only mean: "Nobody but Landon."

The correctness of the Communist analysis is clear even to the doubters now, when Dr. Townsend switched from Lemke to Landon, and the Republican Party is bringing Landon here to try to win California with Townsend votes.

Townsend's support of Landon constitutes the greatest betrayal of the Townsend movement, and should be repudiated by every Townsend club in California. He is handing over a progressive movement for social security into the hands of the greatest enemies of Social Security.

We can understand the bitterness of the Townsends at the total inadequacy of social security legislation under the Roosevelt administration; but even that legislation was opposed by the Republican Party, as it does all social and labor legislation. Henry Ford, rooting for Landon, says "Get rid of the Social Security Act." Does anybody believe that the Republicans who oppose even this puny attempt at security legislation really mean to keep their promise to the Townsends to give them old-age pensions? Hitler also promised all things to all people.

The red-baiters in the unions consciously or unconsciously play the employers' game, by raising the cry that the reds are "disrupters" and "trouble-makers." The "red scare" is the favorite weapon of all employers against a militant union and its members or leaders. Actually, every union member who works side by side with a fellow-union member who is a Communist can testify to the fact that Communists are among the most loyal, active, and constructive trade-unionists. This is because they follow the correct program of the Communist Party, whose policy aims to build the unions into powerful weapons, not only for the defense of the immediate interests of the workers, but for the final emancipation of the working-class from capitalism.

A recognition of the progressive role played by Communists in the unions can be seen in the steel organizing campaign conducted by the C.I.O., where Communists are among the most active organizers. The following news item from the Daily Worker speaks for itself:

Philip Murray, International Vice-President of the United Mine Workers of America, and chairman of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee of the C.I.O., which has the backing of its 1,250,000 membership, squelched an attempt to intercept the "red scare" as a splitting factor. A newspaper man asked him:

"Does your committee knowingly have Communists on its payroll or aiding in the unionization drive?"

Murray answered:

"Do you bar Communists from becoming citizens of the United States? We are accepting the support and co-operation of all groups. We do not ask a man about his political beliefs or creeds."

How come Murray, a conservative union official, takes such a stand? Because the C.I.O. leaders, in seeking capable organizers who were trusted by the rank and file, found out that Communists were an indispensable part of the trade union movement; that their experience in the labor movement, the confidence they enjoyed among the workers, and the constructive leadership they gave to the workers, was one of the most powerful factors in the steel organizing campaign.

Workers of other industries and unions have found the same thing. Maritime workers, auto workers, rubber workers have repudiated red-baiters. Agricultural workers, as in Salinas, have learned from experience that the "red scare" is an employers' weapon. That is why the workers in every union are beginning to look with suspicion on anyone who attacks the Communists. Red-baiters are not popular any more.

Hitler Fascism has brought Germany to the brink of ruin. The German people face a winter of food shortage. Storm-troopers will go from house to house to collect winter relief for the unemployed. The employed will be asked to miss a few of their daily skimpy meals, and no one will dare to refuse.

In contrast to this picture of Fascist rule, the people of the Soviet Union are preparing to celebrate the beginning of the 20th year of working class rule and the victory of Socialism. On Nov. 7th is the 19th anniversary of Soviet Power. Socialist industry, collective agriculture, a growing prosperity of all peoples, is the picture in Soviet Russia, once the most backward and poverty-stricken country under Czarist capitalist rule. The Soviet masses have good cause to rejoice and celebrate, and the working class of all countries have reason to celebrate with them, as their victory is a victory for the oppressed peoples of the entire world.

'Not Guilty' Expose Of King Frameup

MARTINEZ.—A new charter for a Teamsters Union Local was installed here last week. Some 30 teamsters signed up, says J. L. Von Tellep, vice-president of the State Federation for Contra Costa County.

Over 100 more are expected to sign now that the charter is installed. Unionists in this country have long looked forward to installation of the Teamsters charter.

About 25,000 copies of the pamphlet have already been printed. Price is three cents a copy.

All newsstands in the East Bay are carrying the pamphlets.

F.D.R. Leads Landon, Browder Ahead of Thomas At U.S.C.

LOS ANGELES.—Even students at the University of Southern California, which costs plenty to go to, aren't falling for the pro-Fascist campaign of Alf Landon, a straw poll reveals.

Roosevelt polled 450 votes up to the fourth day of the poll, with 360 for Landon.

Earl Browder, Communist candidate, polled 44 votes, while Norman Thomas, Socialist nominee, polled but seven. Lemke got three votes and Colvin, Prohibitionist, two votes.

C.I.O. IN OIL AREA

KITTANNING, Pa.—Armstrong County Central Labor Union, in the Penn Oil area commands the C.I.O. for its militant stand in the face of opposition.

People's Health

By Franklin E. Bissell, M. D.

(Continuing the series on the health and illnesses of factory workers, written jointly with Dr. Z. Klein.)

Tobacco Factories Are Full of Dust, Causing Much Tuberculosis

THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY in the United States employs 175,000 working people. 75,000 are women and 10,000 are children under 16 years of age. The sorting and cutting processes produce a great amount of destructive dust. It is true that machinery has since replaced hand work, but tobacco dust still exists. This dust causes nicotine poisoning, headache, stomach pains, heartburn, vomiting, diarrhoea, loss of sleep, and general fatigue. It will be interesting to note that reliable statistics prove that out of 200 occupations, cigar and tobacco workers occupy second place in death rate from tuberculosis, the first place being taken by marble and stone cutters. Tobacco workers receive injuries to the eye, skin, throat. The women suffer female disturbances and hemorrhages.



Lumber Industry Is a Great Source of Injuries and Accidents

LET US EXAMINE the lumber industry. 700,000 workers are employed here, including 8,000 women and 6,000 youngsters under 16 years of age. In a two-year period, ten thousand accidents took place. In the same period, 200 died of injuries while handling and rolling lumber, log carriages, power driven saws, high power machines and other dangerous instruments. There are few provisions in the lumber camps for accidents and injuries. The Red Cross had to arrange first aid stations. Dr. Kober reports: "In these occupations, hard work, exposures to drafts, high temperature in the dry kiln department, effects of increased incessant noise upon hearings, the inhalation of dust from planing, sand papering machines, and accidents are injurious factors." The main cause for disease in the lumber industry is the unhealthy surroundings and wood dust, also high-power machinery. The following woods will cause skin and catarrhal conditions, eye, nose, and throat trouble—sequoia wood, cocobola wood, sabaci wood, satin wood, Mexican blue gum, and Indian Rose Wood. In the cabinet shop the wood workers are subject to these dangerous wood dusts, skin diseases, pain to the arms from the chisel and hand plane. The lumber industry is controlled by what is known as the "Lumber Barons," who picked the youngest and toughest men to work them hard, to pile up wealth, and, in return to receive injuries, accidents, disease.

Paper Mills Bring Infections And Poisoning to Many Workers

HOW ABOUT the paper industry? It employs 100,000 men and women and children under sixteen years of age, while paying a very low wage, and commanding long hours of work. Workers in this industry are subject to the following diseases: Chronic bronchitis, emphysema of the lungs (injury to the lung tissue), eye inflammation, scarlet fever, anthrax, smallpox, tuberculosis. The color in the paper contains lead and arsenic, the bronzing powders have mica, and wool dust in all these products irritates the lungs and bronchial tubes. The temperature in the paper factories reaches 90 to 100 F. and the result is fatigue and disease, lower vitality, shortening of the life.

Women on the March

By MARY GARFIELD

Oh Lady of Spain we adore you
But not for your black eyes and hair,
Nor yet for the gown that adorns you
Or the perfume and rose that you wear.

It is, my dear lady Dolores,
The grip on the steel in your hand
That says to the coward and traitor:
"I'll kill to defend this, my land."

For the steel in your hand, and your courage
We hail you, oh lady of Spain,
And not for the rose and mantilla"
But just for your "hell and, your pain."

THE OLD SAYING is that there was never anyone so poor, but you could find someone poorer. Spain is poorer than we are, and Spain needs warm clothes. Spain is plenty cold in the winter. You will remember the "miners" of Spain? They come from the mountains of Spain.

It's cold in those places. Cold. Cold. Cold. Get busy and find clothes for the wonderful women of Spain. The women who are fighting for democracy, the democracy that we want too, the democracy that we must be so alert to preserve. Help them and we help ourselves. If they go down in defeat, we grow weaker.

We are apt to get our idea of Spain from the beautiful ladies on the boxes of raisins from Malaga. She wore a comb in her blue black hair, a lace mantilla and a deep red rose over her ear. A dark and handsome gentleman leaned over her, whispering "sweet-nothings" in her shell-like ear.

Alas, the beautiful lady on the raisin box was not the lady who grew the raisins, nor was she the lady who packed the raisins. Nor was she the lady who was too poor to eat the raisins. The people of Spain have been so very poor for so very, very long. The lady on the raisin box was a misleader and only a "front."

The people of Spain today are saying: "We will eat the raisins." But they must fight in the streets and in the mountain passes, in the towns and the cities for those democratic rights which will give them that which they have produced.

The beautiful ladies in the niches in the churches and in the roadside grottos have been decked out in glory of paint and color and jewels and gold bought with the starvation and fear of the people of Spain.

These ladies do not feel the cold for they are made from wood and plaster.

The women of Spain will suffer unless we help to clothe them! The children of the women of Spain and the men need clothes. Anything, everything that is warm and can be worn.

Send or take your box to the American League against War and Fascism, at 320 Market Street. They have a way of sending it to Spain.

DID YOU EVER cook polenta? Polenta is coarse ground corn meal. You had better buy it in an Italian store. For two people, a cup of polenta cooked in 2 quarts of boiling, salted water until it is thick enough to hold its own shape. About 40 minutes. Serve it with a good tomato sauce. Cut it in slices to serve, and sprinkle with plenty of grated cheese. If there is any left, you can slice it and fry it or you can slice it and put in a baking dish in layers with tomato sauce and grated cheese spread over each layer.

If you want a recipe for anything, write in and ask me for it.

ACCENT ON YOUTH

By EVELYN JAMES

Hitler's Youth Movement

THE underground movement in Germany has reached a size and influence that terrifies the Nazi leaders. What's more, killing and imprisoning the anti-Fascists has not had the effect they hoped. Police Commissioner Helldorf of Berlin declared that it was futile to arrest 100,000 Communists whose names and addresses they had on file. Why? "If we should arrest these 100,000, then others would immediately take their places."

Hitler has realized that he can't kill off all those who oppose him, so he is making new plans. If he can warp the young people of Germany with his ideas, make them loyal to Nazism, he has only to wait till the adult generation has died off, and then all will be rosy in der Vaterland.

So 12 million German youth from 10-18 are being organized into junior storm troops. Boys from 10-14 are called for the "Young Folk" group. All day Saturday and from 4-8 on Wednesdays these youngsters spend with Nazi leaders. They exercise, they sing the Horst Wessel song, with its bloody references to Jews' heads rolling in the streets. They learn the elementary information the leaders want to give them about Hitler and his policies.

The most Aryan of these Young Folk are selected to go into the Hitler Youth, where they are trained to fill government positions. Part of their function is to assist in supervising those less-Aryan youth who do not rate the Hitler youth group, but must belong to the State Youth. The State Youth by graduate into the compulsory Labor Service. Both of these groups meet evenings and Sunday afternoons.

The Girls, Too

AND don't think Hitler is leaving out anyone in his plan to convert the young people to the Nazi faith. The girls have an organization all their own, the Hitler Girls. Their motto is "Make the German Girl a Better Mother." They learn sports, housekeeping, sanitation, air raid drills, and Red Cross work. And Nazism. They meet Wednesday from 4-8 and Saturdays.

Right now, membership in these organizations is voluntary, but if the youth are foolish enough to think that means they can stay out, the leaders don't hide their intention of making membership compulsory.

Nazi leaders expect that from 3 to 8 years will be necessary before the entire youth of Germany has been made staunchly Nazi. But they forget a lot of things. They forget that at the same time they are bombing young people with the demagogic "theory" of Fascism, the bitter realities of Fascism are crushing down on them. At home the boy will be going without butter and cream, eating meat once a month, dressing in ragged clothes. His schools will be overcrowded, shutting down. His friends and relatives will be in constant fear of opening their mouths to ask for a better life.

Are the young people of Germany living lives of poverty and oppression, going to believe for long that Fascism is an ideal state?

Will they trust the words of a demagogue, rather than their own eyes and stomachs?

Browder's Book Now 25 Cents

Earl Browder's popular book, "What Is Communism?", formerly \$2.00 a copy, has just been reprinted by Workers' Library Publishers in a special edition of 50,000 copies, beautifully designed and decorated with a portrait of the author. The large printing has made possible the unusually low price of 25c a copy, despite the fact that the book contains 182 pages.

This popular explanation of Communism by no less an authority than the General Secretary of the Communist Party, has had a wide sale under the original imprint of Vanguard Press, and will undoubtedly be welcomed at the new low price.

LOS ANGELES—Ross Howard, service station attendant, has filed suit charging false arrest and seeks \$65,000 damages. Named in the suit are Police Chief Davis, Mayor Shaw and members of the police commission.

PRESSURE OF THIRD PARTY DID IT



DORIS DUKE CROMWELL, heiress to the Bull Durham tobacco millions, is the country's richest girl. She wanted to use this shore front near her \$500,000 Honolulu home for a private swimming pool, but her plans were spoiled when Hawaiian authorities refused permission, declaring the frontage public land. The existence of a third, progressive party movement on the Islands had something to do with that.

VOICES OF LABOR

Long Beach.

EDITOR: We went Sunday evening to hear Mr. Ford speak and found when we arrived there our Los Angeles "Red Squad" was Johnny on the spot to see we were kept out of the Eastside Auditorium, but we went ahead any way and held a wonderful meeting right across the street from the hall.

Mr. Ford held us spellbound.

I only hope I can have the pleasure of hearing him speak again.

Before Mr. Ford arrived we sang several songs and an idea popped into my mind that I and others at the meeting think is a good one.

Can't you, once a week, print in our paper a working class song with the melody of the right hand, so that those of us who aren't quite so familiar with our songs can cut them out and paste them in book form for the piano.

I have been cutting out the recipes printed in Mary Garfield's column and have tried some. Keep up the recipes.

MRS. KEITH O. WEBB.

As to fostering a conception of "Communist methods" among the trade union members, the happenings in Baltimore, and recently, in San Francisco, as applied to the son of the Fascist-minded shipowners' leader Thomas G. Plant, by longshoremen's children in a high school, were participated in not by Communists, but by trade union members of all political beliefs.—D.

EDITOR: Why must our campaign meetings be so long? Over at the Oakland Ford rally last Thursday nodding heads and gaping yawns were all to prevent. Many workers had to leave without hearing the main speaker. Exasperated sighs of "Well, it's about time" were plainly audible throughout the audience when, at last, shortly before ten, Ford began.

Our rallies must have more zip and go. We must not let a host of minor speakers wear out the audience so they will be unable to appreciate the man they have come to hear. How can workers believe in the fast-moving efficiency of Communism when Communist meeting start late and end late? No more three hour endurance tests. Let's make them short and snappy.

DAN DANA.

EDITOR: The Western Worker of Sept. 14 contained a short story, "They Asked for It," which a Hearst paper might conceivably find useful in demonstrating the "vicious inhumanity of the Reds."

I find the story objectionable in its praise of the tactics of the fictional factory workers who, themselves organized to resist injustice at the hands of their employers, combat stool pigeons by malicious persecution of the latter's innocent children.

The propagandist value of this story in enlisting sympathy for organized labor is undeniably negative. To trade union members it fosters a conception of "Communist methods" which is regrettable and certainly mistaken. Surely this miserable story in spitefulness was published without having been read by the editors.

Sincerely, A STUDENT.
(Editor's note: This letter was submitted to the writer of the short story in question, whose reply follows.)

EDITOR: The short story, "They Asked for It," was based on the actual method adopted by the workers, in the actual occurrence in a Baltimore steel mill was entirely effective in ridding the mill of stool pigeons.

No one is more contemptible than the stool pigeon, to the worker trying to better his wages, hours and conditions of employment.

STEEL UNION GROWS
CHICAGO—28 new lodges of the Amalgamated Assn. of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers have been organized by the Steel Workers Organizing Committee

Browder Picture Goes To School With 9-Year-Old

This is a true story of a little boy whose name we withhold for obvious reasons. Chances are that the schoolteacher in question will recognize him if by any chance she should read the Western Worker.

Anyway the little boy upon coming to school one morning found Landon's picture on the wall of the class room. Being only nine years old he did not recognize Landon right off and he asked the teacher whose picture it was.

The teacher said, "That is Mr. Alf Landon, presidential candidate on the Republican ticket."

Kept His Peace

The boy did not go into the matter any further at that moment but when he got home he hunted around for a recent copy of the Sunday Worker, in which he had seen a picture of Earl Browder, who, his father and mother had told him, was the candidate for president on the Communist ticket.

Taking a pair of scissors he cut out Earl Browder's picture and took it to school with him the next morning and put it up on the wall alongside of Alf Landon's.

Who Did That?

When the teacher arrived she wanted to know who put up Earl Browder's picture. Our little friend informed her that Earl Browder is also a candidate for the presidency and consequently has just as much right on the wall as Alf Landon, an assertion which the teacher could hardly deny.

However when the principal of the school was called into the dispute in which many of the children had taken the side of our hero, the question was settled by taking down both of the candidates.

Let us hope that the example set by this young American will encourage some of us older Americans to assert our constitutional rights.

This is 20th Century Americanism.

Cops Intimidate 20,000 Are Insane Time Marches On!

LOS ANGELES.—Scene for the living newspaper: Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis slobbering crocodile tears all over his face because newspaper headlines scream of a week-long crime wave.

Indignant citizens protesting because scores of police, in the midst of a crime wave, spend hours trying (but failing) to intimidate a gathering at the Ford-v.-vice-president Communist Party election rally.

The directors of the Seaboard Bank announcing that its net income the first nine months of 1936 is the best in its history.

Miss Patsy Stewart, 24 years of age, writing a note saying she is tired of living on relief and then jumping out the window of the Y.W.C.A.

Gov. Merriam unveiling plaque at the new insane asylum at Camarillo and stating that there are 20,000 persons in mental institutions in California.

Harry Chandler of the Los Angeles Times instructing one of his under-paid employees to draw up a chart emphasizing the buying power of 64.97 per cent of families that are paid off a \$1000 a year and minimizing the 35.03 per cent "total borderline and relief families."

The same employee wondering about the more than 40 suicides of poor people in Los Angeles in less than a month.

ARABS CONTINUE FIGHT AGAINST IMPERIALISM

JERUSALEM.—Although the "high committee" of the Arabs terminated the 25-week strike against British broken promises, the Arabian people are refusing to drop their fight against British imperialism.

Reports indicate that more and more, the Arabs are rallying to fight against domination by the British, who have poured in more than 10,000 troops to "pacify" Palestine.

Many Jewish workers, who have settled here, are backing the Arabian people's fight as part and parcel of their own fight for freedom from oppression, while the Jewish capitalists are playing hand-in-glove with British imperialism.

UNEMPLOYED INSURANCE
AUSTIN, Tex.—Secy. Wallace C. Reilly of the Texas State Federation of Labor headed a committee which appeared before the legislature seeking passage of a jobless insurance law.

Takes No Chance
When he can't sell it as food, he can as raw material; in off years when he can't use it as raw material, the demand for cheap food substitute is bound to increase, and he can sell it as eat soy beans and like them.

Seeing RED

By Michael Quin

SCENARIO CLIP SERVICE II

HEREWITH is another installment of my free scenario clip service, designed to save Hollywood film executives millions of dollars annually! Why pay huge sums for scenarios? Buy a copy of the Western Worker for five cents, clip out a scenario, produce it and profit millions.

Today's offering is a musical extravaganza; the biggest, most sensationalist, most pifliest, most litigating, dazzling show ever produced. Forget your troubles! One thousand luscious, quivering beautiful girls. Only two costumes to cover the lot of them. A millionaire's dream of paradise. Bring the children; Bring an ice-pack! Bring your lunch! Four hours of unceasing titillation. You'll burn. You'll laugh. You'll cry. You'll go limp all over.

THE SCENE OPENS on a ragged hobo sitting on the public dump singing a song. Hobo's song: NOTHIN' FROM NOTHIN' LEAVES NOTHIN' THAT'S ME.

I ain't got nothin'
And I don't want nothin'
I'm as happy as the birdies in the trees.
I don't know nothin'

FASCISTS GIVEN LEeway TO OVERSHADOW BRITISH LION'S POWER IN MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Reactionary British Capital Prefers To Co-operate With Fascists Rather Than Aid Spanish People

Despite the tremendous loss to British Imperialism if Italian and German Fascist get control of Spain with its commanding position in the Mediterranean, England's every move to date has been to help the Fascists.

England holds Portugal as a virtual semi-colony through financial ties. Yet Portugal has been a fascist base, and a smuggling depot for rebel arms and ammunition since the start of the Fascist war against the Spanish people.

England's representatives on the neutrality commission have tried to give quick burial to the Soviet Union's note charging violations of the neutrality agreement by Portugal, Italy and Germany.

Made Their Choice

And yet this policy, if it were successful in establishing Italian and German military control in Spain, would threaten British colonial holdings as nothing has ever before.

The fact is that England is not an undivided whole in its policy. The Baldwin government, though not itself taking an open policy of support for Italy and Germany, is responding primarily to those elements of British capital who are willing to back Mussolini and Hitler in spite of the cost. They see in the anti-imperialist policies of the People's Front a threat to their profit-making on war preparations.

England's normal policy would be to let both sides weaken themselves in the combat, leaving the British lion on top regardless of the outcome. Regardless of the outcome of the Spanish struggle, the British lion will not come out on top. But the big capitalists of England would carry on more and more under the black flag of Fascist piracy.

The False Issue

Every possible means is being used by Hitler, Mussolini and Fascists everywhere to make "Capitalism vs. Communism" into the issue of the day.

The real objective, of course, is to break up what remains of democracy in order to subject the masses to progressively worse conditions and to carry out the war which the Fascists need. The Fascist support of the Spanish rebellion against the democratically elected government is only an example. The big objective is to engineer the armed attack on the masses while they can still be divided on the issue of Communism.

The Fascist war on the Spanish people indicates how thoroughly false and vicious is the real aim behind this way of putting the issue, but no lie is too big for Fascism.

Trouble At Home

But the Fascists' fear of Communism as the organizer of the forces of peace is well grounded. New proof that the people of Germany and Italy are not "taking it lying down" is brought out anew with the announcement of conferences between the fascist secret services of Germany and Italy to foster new "Red hunts."

The Italian people have found they gained nothing by the conquest of Abyssinia, except new terror at home. A recent announcement from Rome, to make matters worse for the Fascists, showed that 17 officers and men of the Italian army had been killed in September while policing East Africa, and 110 more had died of disease.

Widen's The Gap

The announcement of Belgium's break with having its alliance with France as the key stone of its foreign policy can be set down as a minor triumph of fascist diplomacy and pressure. But it should also be recorded that this announcement comes at a time when the gap between this "diplomacy" and the masses is growing wider. From England, whose policy favoring the Fascists made possible this move of Belgian reaction, we have just read how a tremendous rally of anti-fascists completely routed the attempt of Sir Oswald Mosley's fascists to hold a demonstration in a London working class district. And in France the anti-fascist demonstrations organized by the Communist Party show clearly that if the right wing Radical Socialists succeed in breaking away from the People's Front, they will quite probably succeed only in isolating themselves further from the people of France.

CRAFT UNIONS PROTEST

ROSTOV-ON-THE-DON—Once outlawed by the Soviet government, the Don Cossacks have now formed their own regiments in the Red Army, sturdy defenders of the U.S.S.R.

In the years before 1917, the Cossacks were bribed to be used by the Czar against the people. In the civil war, some of them fought with the whites against the Soviet government, although most of them were neutralized. Today they are staunch supporters of Socialism in the Soviet Union, and want to be defenders as Cossacks of the Land of Socialism.

Three Cossack divisions have been formed, based on the traditional Cossack tribes, the Don, Kuban and Terek.

ODESSA—Found in the ground

by collective farmers in the Ochakov region, near here, a pair of gold ear-rings, very finely ornamented, are estimated by an archaeological expedition to have been made 2000 years ago.

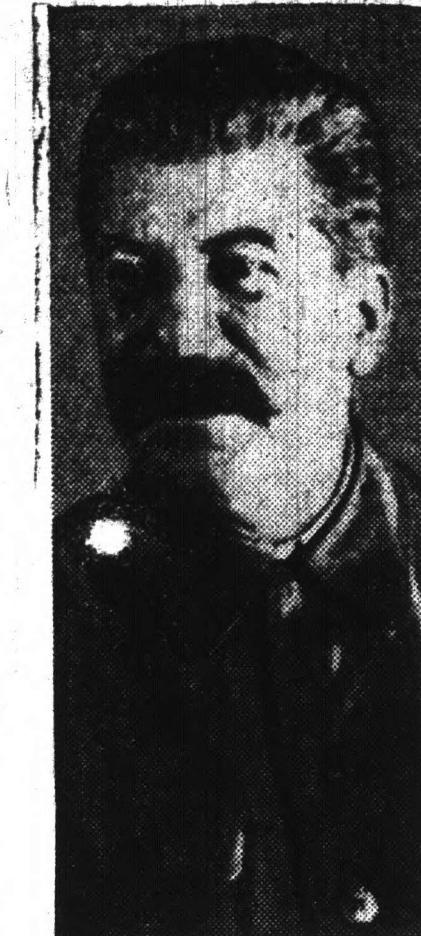
Lindberg of U.S.S.R.

MOSCOW—An aviation station at the North Pole!

This daring project is being considered by Vodopianov, flying hero of the Soviet Union, who sees it as a great forward move in aviation progress, which would assist navigation in Arctic waters and help to get better weather reports.

Vodopianov also sees the pos-

"A World Concern"



FREEDOM AND LIBERATION FOR SPAIN IS CONCERN OF WHOLE WORLD, SAYS STALIN

Workers and Farmers of Soviet Union Aid Population of Spain With Donations Of Food, Clothing, and Medicine

MOSCOW—The freedom and liberation of Spain from Fascism is the concern of the whole world, declared Joseph Stalin, general secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, last week in reply to greetings sent by the Communist Party of Spain to the C.P.S.U.

"The laboring population of the Soviet Union is fulfilling its duty and struggling for the population of Spain," said Stalin.

"It understands fully that the freedom and liberation of Spain is not a private course for Spaniards, but a concern for the progressive humanity of the whole world."

The workers and farmers of the U.S.S.R. have held countless mass meetings in support of the Spanish people fighting in civil war against the Fascists, and have donated millions of dollars for food, clothing and medical supplies for the Spanish government.

Four supply ships have either delivered cargoes in Spain, or are en route.

World's Workers Defend Spain

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa.—The South African Trade and Labor Council passed the following resolution:

"The South African Trades and Labor Council, representing organized labor in South Africa, whole-heartedly supports the constitutionally elected government in Spain and the action of the workers and peasants in their heroic defense of that government against the attempt of the insurgents to establish a Fascist dictatorship against the democratically constituted government."

For Peace In The World

The defend the Spanish People is to defend peace. The peace of France and the entire West. The peace of the entire world. Come to the defense of peace, to the defense of democracy, to the aid of Spain! Let us give all that we can to those who are sacrificing themselves in the defense of our common task, in defense of social justice and liberty:

You, my comrades, remember, we must all remember and repeat the words of our fathers who captured the Bastille. Let us all remember the Declaration of Rights of Man, of July 1789:

"Those who were against the people in order to stop the progress of liberty, must be prosecuted by all, and not as ordinary enemies, but as slaves who have risen against the mightiest ruler of the earth, against all humanity."

McLauchlan To Talk On Browder Before Unitarian Church

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Symposium On Soviet Union To Be Held

LOS ANGELES—American Friends of the Soviet Union will sponsor a symposium and concert on Sunday, October 25th, 8 p.m., at Radio Playhouse, 8th and Beacon Streets. Admission is 25 cents.

Dr. J. C. Coleman, Dr. Clinton J. Taft, and Prof. Albert E. Lewis, all recently returned from the Soviet Union, will speak.

The enrollment will make it much tougher for the Gold Shirt Fascists of the exiled General Rodriguez to terrorize the agricultural population, and will be a barrier against a Fascist "putsch" threatened by Rodriguez.

The reserves, which the War Department has organized on a military basis, increase the army's total number of effective troops to more than 92,000.

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LOS ANGELES—Nearly 3000 enthusiastic persons packed Trinity Auditorium October 13th to hear distinguished speakers talk on the civil war in Spain and Fascist trends throughout the world.

Held under auspices of the United Anti-Nazi Conference of California, Chairman Chaim Shapiro opened the meeting with a brief outline of the Spanish workers' problems.

Viola Brothers Shore, screen writer, pointed out that a Fascist victory in Spain would mean spread of a new wave of anti-Semitism throughout the world. She said anti-Semitism was only one phase of Fascism, which would bring destruction of all civil liberties.

Bill Busiek, International Ladies Garment Workers Union official, urged formation of a Farmer-Labor Party to halt Fascism.

Other speakers were Dr. Fabian Garcia, Cuban political exile; Rabbi Jacob M. Alkow; Mrs. Rosenthal, chairman of the Women's League to Boycott Nazi Goods; and Samuel Rosenfeld, vice-president of the Anti-Nazi League.

Against Common Fear

Rosenfeld urged the audience not to be misled by the "red scare" but to join forces with trade unions, intellectuals, racial minorities, Communists, and all liberty-loving organizations in the fight against the common enemy, Fascism.

More than \$500 was raised to aid the Spanish workers.

OFFICE WORKERS FOR CIO

MILWAUKEE—Office Workers Union in Kenosha and Retail Clerks here have called for protests against suspension of the C.I.O. unions.

CHERNIGOV, Ukraine—Local collective farms are delivering such enormous quantities of food that the market place can no longer accommodate the incom-

to America, which would save hundreds of miles of flying.

In 1934 this daring aviator rescued the crew of the Chelyuskin, Soviet ice-breaker long marooned in the Arctic. He has

DEMONSTRATIONS WON



ONLY MASS ACTION by the Egyptian people against British Imperialism, won for them certain concessions toward more independence from the British Empire. British troops and bullets were not enough to stop the demonstrations for independence. The Egyptian people are strengthening their nationalist movement to win still greater concessions toward complete independence.

Hitler Bares Self

As Oppressor Of German People

BERLIN.—What Hitler's Nuremberg speech will mean to the German people in lower standards of living, was proved in Hitler's own words, in the Deutsche Volks Zeitung, illegal anti-Fascist newspaper, as follows:

"Any material increase of crops is impossible"—Hitler. (Therefore, no improvement in living conditions.)

"There will be a shortage in certain lines of our foodstuffs"—Hitler. (Further shortage of butter, eggs and meat.)

"Any material increase of exports is hardly possible in the near future"—Hitler. (Meaning continuation of a 33 percent drop, even in comparison with the first year of the crisis.)

"Under Nazi economic policy, it is madness to raise wages"—Hitler. (Therefore, continuation of hunger.)

"We must use all and every means to defend internal social peace"—Hitler. (Meaning continued and increased terror.)

"To be a German means to be self-sacrificing"—Hitler. (Therefore—dole, wage reduction, and special war taxes.)

"We forbid ourselves any democracy; democratic liberties mean degeneracy"—Hitler. So full of double meaning—evidently still afraid of the people, and quite correctly.)

"If the tremendous resources of raw materials of the Urals, the riches of the forests of Siberia, and the vast grain fields of the Ukraine were part of Germany . . . then every single German would have more than enough"—Hitler. (A most brazen expression of capitalism and imperialism.)

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FILIPINES ARE PAWNS OF U.S. MILITARISTS

Wall St. Dictates In Islands According To War Plans

WASHINGTON—The Filipino people are being made helpless pawns here, as President Roosevelt is consulting two different sets of advisers on how to fit the Philippine Islands into U. S. war plans.

One set of Army men urges Roosevelt to proceed immediately with negotiations toward "neutralization" of the Islands under international guarantee, while another group of Navy men wants to keep the status quo and thinks a navy base there, well defended, would be an excellent springboard for offensive warfare in the Pacific.

The Army men advance the opinion that the Philippines could not be defended in time of war.

The U. S. Army has officers in the Islands, however, who are training a "defense army" of native Filipinos. To all intents and purposes, a rigid military dictatorship is exercised over the Filipino people, who are thrown in jail merely for talking about organizing trade unions. Wall Street interests dominate the Islands.

Only the Communist Party, both in the U. S. and in the Islands, fights for complete independence for the Filipino people.

Burbank Worker Is Held For Trial

BURBANK—Albert Lockett, arrested here last week for distributing handbills advertising the James A. Ford Communist election rally, came up in court October 13th and demanded a jury trial, which was set for October 23rd.

He was released on his own recognizance.

MIDDLE CLASS SUPPORT FOR STRIKE GROWS

Business People See Interest On Side Of Strikers

By a Worker Correspondent.

SALINAS—The shop keepers and professional men and women with few exceptions are against the methods employed by the growers and shippers in dealing with the striking lettuce workers in Salinas and Watsonville.

I have canvassed any number of middle class people with the questions: "Do you approve of using the state cops in the local disputes between the employers and workers?" and "Do you approve of using gas on workers on strike?"

Almost invariably the answer was absolutely no.

Effect of Hearst

However, I found that opinion was divided on the libel peddled by the Hearst press and the employers that "foreign agitators" are causing this strike. This poison spread by Hearst has left its imprint on the minds of many decent citizens.

But when I called their attention to men like Colonel Sanborn, an outside agitator brought in by the employers along with a host of other plug-uglies and despicable characters, these decent citizens would usually shrug their shoulders helplessly and say: "I guess you are right."

The Red Scare

The fact is that Sheriff Abbott of Monterey County and the growers and shippers were trying to scare these good citizens to death with such nonsense as "The Reds want to appropriate the lettuce sheds," or "3000 San Francisco longshoremen are marching on Salinas to battle the regularly constituted authorities."

A growing resentment of these practices is evident among the citizens of Monterey County. Meetings to protest the barbarities of the state police and the imported hoodlums who wear deputy sheriff's badges are well attended. An occasional red baiter worms himself onto the platform, but his response from the audience is weak.

Labor Speakers Heard

The greatest consideration is given to speakers who approach the problem from the point of view of the exploitation of labor in the sheds and the unspeakable methods used by a handful of arrogant large shippers and growers backed by the banks.

One business man told me "What do I care about these large growers making another couple of million profit. I'd rather see the workmen get decent wages. Then we will all get some of it, because the working people have to spend their money to buy food and clothing here in Salinas."

Right of Communists

That Communists have a right to fight alongside their brother union men to preserve the union and improve the working conditions of all the workers is indisputable even by the most backward.

The sentiment against reaction is being crystallized and eventually will express itself in a people's front, a Farmer-Labor party that will embrace all the liberty-loving and decent people of our country.

This Fascist May Be Disappointed

By a Worker Correspondent

LOS ANGELES—I work in the Sears-Roebuck store over on the east side. About three weeks ago a Catholic priest came in to get a high-priced radio, and he was insistent on its being delivered immediately.

"I want to be sure and have it so I can tune in on the broadcast when General Franco marches into Madrid," said the priest.

Well, it's three weeks now, and the Spanish Fascists aren't in Madrid yet and probably will never get there if we help out the Spanish workers, so this priest must have pretty cold heels waiting.

The workers don't get any breaks from Sears-Roebuck, and there is no union. There are no lockers, and there's plenty of night work and split-shifts. Afraid for their jobs, most of the workers only grumble about conditions in private. The company is putting out a lot of propaganda to the employees against the sales store tax.

Apple Workers Are Glad To Hear Speakers of I.L.D.

Keeping Morale High Will Be Easier In 1936

By a Worker Correspondent.

WATSONVILLE—if anyone thinks the workers in Watsonville are afraid of the I.L.D. or don't want its assistance, just read this.

On Oct. 13th, at the regular meeting of the Apple Workers, Union No. 18211 voted almost to a man to hear Elaine Black, secretary of the I.L.D., speak on behalf of that organization.

When she had finished a motion was passed to take up a collection for the Salinas strikers who are being defended by the I.L.D. The collection was more than \$6. A few workers signed application cards for membership in the I.L.D. Quite a number of others took the cards home with them.

Here's hoping Miss Black will find it convenient to visit our local again soon.

Professionals Give Active Strike Support

SAN FRANCISCO.—Teachers, doctors, nurses, lawyers, social workers, journalists, artists, and members of many other professions and white collar occupations, banded together under the Inter-Professional Association, San Francisco Chapter, have aggressively supported organized labor during the past week, especially in the Salinas strike area.

Following news reports and reports of I.P.A. members who had personally visited the Salinas strike area, the I.P.A. adopted resolutions and wrote to Monterey County District Attorney protesting the illegal entry of George Kircher's home in Salinas. Copies of this protest were mailed to the Sheriff and the Chief of Police, Salinas, and to Attorney General Webb.

Repudiate Winters

A letter was sent to Edw. L. Vandeleur recommending that the State Federation of Labor aid in every way the Fruit and Vegetable Workers' Union on strike in Salinas; and urged that the State Federation take action to repudiate the "false and traitorous statement of E. E. Winters, secretary, Monterey County Central Labor Council, to the effect that the State Highway Patrol acted in a gentlemanly and efficient manner at Salinas."

Another letter was sent to Winters, urging that every assistance be given the strikers.

Attorney General Webb and the District Attorney of Monterey County were sent copies of an I.P.A. resolution condemning the failure of the latter to enforce the laws and prevent the lawless attacks against innocent persons of those entrusted with the enforcement of law and order in Monterey County and demanding protection of citizens and residents against such attacks.

Pressure on Merriam

Governor Merriam, State Senators and Representatives were given copies of a resolution condemning the use of the State Highway Patrol as a strike-breaking agency under the domination and orders of the Grower-Shipper Vegetable Association, urging the withdrawal of the Patrol from the Salinas-Watsonville and specifically instructed to restrict the Patrol to the motor vehicle service for which it was created.

Oppose Red Scare

A letter was sent to Governor Merriam protesting against his assertion that the Salinas strike was Communist-inspired, and protesting the use of the Highway Patrol for strike-breaking purposes.

A night letter was dispatched to Harry L. Hopkins requesting that unconditional relief be granted to all strikers and families in the Salinas strike area.

This action is in line with the policy of the Inter-Professional Association to promote the cooperation of professional workers with the labor movement, recognizing their common interest.

PAPER WORKERS FOR C.I.O.

OREGON CITY, Ore.—Suspension of the C.I.O. unions is described as "an unwarranted usurpation of authority" in a resolution Pulp and Paper Mill Workers Local 68.

RECREATION CENTER CAN HELP STRIKE

ONE OF LANDON'S BACKERS



OLD JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, SR., wears a Landon sunflower as he boards his private train for a winter at his estate in Ormond Beach, Fla.

Fish Everywhere, But None For The Alaska Cannery Workers

(The Continued Story of the Alaska Cannery Expedition of 1936.)

By An Alaska Canner

Barring fresh meat, the food had reached the stage where it was almost fit to eat, but meat was to be the big problem. We had barrels of weiners, tripe, pigs' feet, beef tongue, etc., stacked all over the place.

The delegates posed the question of fresh meat to the company. After much fuss, they agreed to have deer meat delivered by boat from Southeastern Alaska after June 15th.

In the meantime we were forced to eat all of this canned and pickled meat. You ask why they did not bring enough fresh meat?

Tore Out Refrigerators

The answer is that on land they had no refrigeration. The refrigerator on the boat, I was told, were so small that if you hung up a side of beef in it you would not be able to close the door.

And here we have a glaring example of capitalistic greed. The S. S. Glacier was a U. S. Navy Supply ship; in fact it was a floating refrigerator. Even the name Glacier implies as much. When it was sold to private interests, they began to tear out the refrigerating apparatus.

They were so zealous that they did not stop until it was all torn out. Why? To make more cargo space for more profits, and we had to eat pickled pigs' feet on this account, all the time the government was burying the pork chops and the hams in the ground.

Didn't Want to Pay

Another instance: There was the bay, just alive with fish. There were 150-odd fishermen and for the first 25 days we only had fish once or twice. Why? Because they would have to pay the fishermen to fish. A couple of fishermen did go out three or four times and the fish always went to the fishermen's camp or the beach gang. Once that I can remember they brought some to our camp. Not that they did not want to give us any fish, but the company would not send a boat out for our camp.

But I'm getting ahead of the story.

(To Be Continued.)

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CONTRA COSTA ROTTEN RIPE FOR UNIONISM

Vandeleur Told How Workers Stay In Debt

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WHEREAS, nine innocent Negro boys have been held in Alameda jails, subjected to the brutality of lynch-minded sheriffs and their deputies, or framed-up charges of rape; and

WHEREAS, one of the white girls on whose charges they were arrested has entirely repudiated the charge; and

WHEREAS, Judge E. Horton in granting a new trial to Heywood Patterson, one of the defendants, has conclusively shown that the charges are completely without foundation; and

Still Persecute

WHEREAS, despite the evident innocence of these boys, the Alabama officials still persist in their efforts to hang them, in order to terrorize the Negro people and to hold back the united struggle of Negro and white workers for their release and for better conditions generally; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that we, people of Oakland assembled in defense of the Scottsboro Boys, demand of Governor Bibb Graves of Alabama that all the Scottsboro Boys be immediately and unconditionally released, and of Lieutenant Governor Thomas Knight, special prosecutor of the Scottsboro Boys, that he immediately move for the dismissal of all charges against the boys.

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A similar meeting will be held Thursday, October 22, when the three Assembly candidates, 80th district will be invited to speak. These meetings are significant because they are the fullest united activity ever achieved in El Cajon. They will be continued even after election, taking up issues of interest to the community.

Organizing Boat For Lumber Workers

By a Worker Correspondent

QUEEN CHARLOTTE IS., B.C.

The men in this camp contributed \$98 towards the price of an organizing boat of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers' Union to reach the up-river camps.

Timber being worked here now is mostly pulpwood and airplane Spruce. We've made a fairly clean camp out of it, but we have to pay \$1.20 a day for board and another 15 cents a day for blankets.

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FIREMEN, WHO WORK IN 150 HEAT, EXAMPLE A WAY TO BRING SHIPPERS OFF HIGH HORSES

Seattle Labor Urges Suspension of Subsidies

(News Release of Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast, San Francisco Bay Area District Council No. 2)

SAN FRANCISCO—For men forced to work in engine rooms and boiler rooms on American merchant ships, where temperatures range as high as 150 degrees, \$2.47 a day is too high a wage to be paid by shipowners who receive enormous subsidies from American taxpayers.

That was the decision of the shipowners here in negotiations looking toward a peaceful settlement of the controversy, that has been threatening Pacific Coast shipping.

Still without an agreement after Sept. 30 the Marine Firemen and other maritime unions, insisted on continuing negotiations for another fifteen days and obtain the cooperation of the newly created United States Maritime Commission and the Department of Labor to force the employers to agree to a fifteen day extension.

Despite the improved conditions for shipowners' operations with many of them compelled to purchase and charter more ships to handle their increased business, none of them was able to see his way clear to raise pay and provide conditions that would make life more bearable for men who make their livelihood following the sea.

The net result of the employers' offered agreement would be to reduce 24% to 30% of the Maritime Firemen's wages which were established by the provisions of the 1934 arbitration award.

150 Degree Temperatures

For men compelled to work a minimum of 56 hours per week and in temperatures ranging to 150 degrees when these ships are in tropical zones this offer was rejected almost in its entirety.

Employers offered a pay scale averaging 27 cents per hour or \$2.20 per day.

The union asked a 7 cents an hour raise or \$2.47 per day, which the employers refused.

Another proposal employers tried to drive home but without success was a clause that would force men to work overtime Sundays and holidays without pay. For that employers proposed time off in port.

The Maritime Firemen pointed to millions of dollars in government subsidies, to increased tonnage and capacity passenger lists that had been sold out even before the ship reached port, as reason why their requests should be met.

They have long labored under conditions, unknown to men who earn their living in pursuits ashore; and at wages far below those commensurate for a decent standard of living. This appeared another reason to the union why it should enjoy some of the benefits now being experienced by the shipping industry.

Want Human Treatment

Crew quarters which are unsanitary and overcrowded and food which is unfit for human consumption are found on many American merchant ships, union spokesmen declared.

"These conditions are a disgrace to the American flag and to the nation. We are going to continue our fight to have American seamen treated like human beings. These conditions must be corrected before an agreement can be reached," declared J. E. Ferguson, Secretary Pro-Tem of the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders and Wipers' Association of the Pacific Coast.

In addition to work in torturous temperatures, engine room men are often forced to live and sleep in quarters where the thermometer registers 90 degrees.

Because of these conditions, all have expressed their belief that their demands are not exorbitant or inconsistent with the trend of financial times.

Proposals of employers for hiring members of the Marine Firemen's Union are clearly intended to break the union, union spokesmen declared.

Since 1934 Marine Firemen have been employed from their union halls. The union hiring hall provides a man with a place of his own choosing from which to obtain employment. The hiring hall eliminates labor contractors and employment agencies; it stops the practice of men tramping from dock to dock, in all sorts of weather, to find work; abolishes bread lines and prevents the abuses and favoritism

A UNION TEAM—THEY'RE CHAMPS



AFTER MAKING belts by day for a living, the baseball team of Beltmakers Union, Local 40, New York, found time to belt the ball around after work. They beat all opposition in a clean sweep for the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union eastern title.

"Point of Order"

(A Trade Union Column)

By Slim

IN THE NOT TOO FAR-DISTANT future, the big steel companies are going to receive a stiff job.

The Steel Workers Organizing Committee, sponsored by the C.I.O., has been steadily making headway in the drive to organize a half million steel workers, chipping off a big company union here, bringing into the Amalgamated Association a plant-full of steel workers there.

Sometime next spring, Philip Murray, fighting Scotchman who chairman of the S.W.O.C. and his crew of 300 trained labor organizers, plan to have such a majority of the steel workers in the Amalgamated that will enable the union to face the steel corporations, with all their two-billion dollar treasury, with insistent demands for an agreement ending a lot of the evils in the steel industry.

The S.W.O.C. wants nothing to come between it and a gigantic steel workers' union. It especially wants no red-baiting.

A newspaper man recently asked Murray: "Does your committee knowingly have Communists on its payroll or aiding in the unionization drive?"

Murray's answer was quick and to the point: "Do you bar Communists from becoming citizens of the United States?"

"We are accepting the support and cooperation of all groups. We do not ask a man about his political beliefs or creeds."

Communists, old-time leaders of the steel workers, have been among the best organizers for the S.W.O.C., as have been workers, as Murray says, of all political beliefs.

An answer, we are sure, which will not be printed in the shipowners' League Against Communism-backed "Maritime Mirror."

Will They Learn a Lesson?

IT MIGHT INTEREST some of those syndicalist elements who fought so bitterly at the Maritime Federation convention in San Pedro against Farmer-Labor Party support to know that their arguments are dangerous enough to have been quoted by that man in Hearst and the Liberty League, Alfred Mossback Landon.

Landon, whose platform calls for recognition of company unions, gave a few general words of praise for "labor," and then went on to say, in Toledo:

"Politics is a factor that can lose labor its independence. Where labor has participated in organization of new governments, trade unionism has been outlawed and the workers have become serfs."

"Labor in the United States must guard against the flattering offers of Government, no matter how attractive temporarily. Labor must maintain its independence."

Which were just about the identical words used in San Pedro in arguing against the idea of a Farmer-Labor Party.

This is of course not to say that those who argued in this vein at the Federation convention are Fascists, as Landon is, but to point out to all sincere maritime workers who swallow this typically syndicalist idea, the dangers of their arguments.

Yes, Landon doesn't want to see a Labor Party. He wants politics to remain in the hands of the old-party politicians, so that Landon's open-shop backers may continue to use the police, militia, the courts, and the legislative bodies against organized labor.

Labor's own people in office would present a picture and carry out a program that wouldn't exactly please Landon.

Will It Be Another Danbury?

THAT \$100,000 SUIT by the Richmaid Dairies against the Teamsters' Union, the Central Labor Councils in San Pedro and Long Beach WITH ALL THEIR MEMBERS, the Long Beach Labor News, the Harbor Worker, the officers of the unions, about 100 John Does and 50 Jane Does and others, should not be taken placidly by California organized labor.

The suit, for damages "due to loss of business" since the firm was placed on the unfair list, brings back the bitter taste of the famous Danbury Hatters case.

If you remember, and what old-timer in the trade union movement doesn't, the members of the Hatters Union at Danbury, Conn., back before the World War, were sued in just such a manner. A capitalist court was quick to grant the employers a judgment—and the huge sum granted the employers was collected to the last penny.

Union members' homes were seized by sheriffs and sold; their property dealt with likewise; their wages garnished.

Is Long Beach to become another Danbury? That depends on California organized labor.

If it does, then organized labor in this state will have been dealt the heaviest blow yet.

The fullest support by all California organized labor behind the unions in the Richmaid case, is a vital necessity.

Mr. Ferguson stated.

SHIPPERS IN A DIRTY HOAX TO GET SCABS

Inserted False Ads In Drought Area Press For "Men Wanted"

SEATTLE—Mysterious ads have been appearing in middle-western papers, reading "WANTED—Five thousand laborers at Seattle, Washington. High Wages."

Hundreds of men from the drought-stricken areas of the middle West came here in answer. They came to Seattle and found no such jobs existed.

At transient headquarters of the Dept. of Public Welfare a survey was made and it was found the ads had brought the men here.

Many of them showed clippings from Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska papers with the ads.

It is believed the open-shop Industrial Council had a lot to do with the insertion of the ads, with the waterfront situation in mind.

The open-shoppers wanted a big surplus of able-bodied, unorganized workers on hand, for use as strikebreakers if a waterfront lockout or strike developed.

Some of them had come 2000 miles. They were all bitter at the dirty trick.

AFL Convention of Concern to Calif.

SAN FRANCISCO—The AFL annual convention, opening Nov. 16 in Tampa, Fla., will be of great importance to California labor.

The issues of industrial organization, and organization of the unorganized are of great interest here.

WHEREAS Agriculture, the largest industry in the State, is still unorganized, and its peculiar make-up necessitates special consideration on the part of the State Federation to organize,

WHEREAS Agriculture is statewide in scope, and is seasonal and localized by crops, compels the bulk of its workers to migrate, covering the entire State and sometimes into adjacent states, during a session of eight or nine months, and

WHEREAS, The workers engaged in agriculture and its numerous branches require little or no skill, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the State Federation of Labor, assembled September, 1936, petition the American Federation of Labor to grant an International charter for agriculture covering all workers in the production of farm products and the processes of manufacturing to a consumable product; and further be it

RESOLVED, That pending the establishment of an International Union a statewide Federal charter be asked for California to cover all field workers engaged in agriculture.

WHEREAS, Possession of such arms by a private corporation and associations other than constituted authority of the United States constitute a menace to society and peace within our nation, as well as undermining the democratic institutions of our government, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Thirty-seventh Annual Convention of the State Federation of Labor in the State of California go on record as being emphatically opposed to such private possessions of arms; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Convention shall stand pledged to advocate and promote legislation both State and Federal which will make it unlawful for any corporation or industrial management to possess any weapons of offense such as rifles, machine guns, gas bombs or any other weapons designed to do bodily harm to any citizen of the United States.

IN SHARP PROTEST

TRINIDAD, Colo.—Sharply worded was the protest of the Labor Council here against suspension of the 10 C.I.O. unions.

BIG RUBBER STRIKE

TOLEDO, O.—The strike against the Bowling Green Rubber Co. is 100 per cent effective. Nearly 200 are out for wage increases.

STEEL DRIVE IN CANADA

HAMILTON, Ont.—The C.I.O. steel organizing drive has extended to Canada with three Amalgamated Association locals already set up. There are some 114,000 steel workers in Canada.

A NEW PAPER FOR CHINESE SEAMEN ON U. S. SHIPS

SAN FRANCISCO.—A new seamen's paper in the Chinese language has been issued here for the Chinese seamen on American ships. The following translation of the introduction to the paper indicates its policy.

"As the result of the invasion and murderous attacks by Japanese bandits, our nation is facing the danger of losing its independence and our race that of extinction. We Chinese seamen suffer from discrimination and maltreatment everywhere;

we can hardly find a place to rest our body or a piece of earth on our feet to stand on. The situation is so grave that our country cannot be saved except through united effort and ourselves as seamen cannot be saved except through mutual cooperation and concerted action."

The policy of the paper, *Hal Teng (Light On The Sea)*, is to organize the efforts of all Chinese seamen navigators, pilots and firemen. The address of the paper is P.O. Box 2305, San Francisco, Calif., U.S.A.

SUIT AGAINST TEAMSTERS IN SOUTH SERIOUS

Behind It Is Open Shoppers' Iron First In L.A.

LOS ANGELES—That there is vastly more behind the Richmaid Creameries' suit against the Teamsters' Union than is set forth in the complaint was unwittingly disclosed by the reaction Los Angeles Times this week when it indicated that anti-labor forces are working to tie up the Teamsters' Union in legal action so as to stalemate the union's role in the event of a waterfront strike.

Said Wolf:

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Labor Board Man Says Marine Unions Are For Peace

SEATTLE.—It is so obvious that the maritime unions have been the ones to have so far prevented a clash on the West Coast waterfront that Benedict Wolf, executive secretary of the National Labor Relations Board expressed this opinion.

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LA Open Shoppers Build War Chest

LOS ANGELES—Wielding a blackjack for the open-shoppers, J. Stuart Nieren, counsel for the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association, the Richmaid company's complaint charges the defendants conspired, coerced, and compelled employees to become members of the union, apparently believing that if enough charges are made, some of them will be befeviled.

Undoubtedly inspired by the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association, the Richmaid company has been blasting funds for an anti-labor war-chest out of Southern California business men, according to charges made by J. W. Buzzell, secretary of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, in a speech before a mass meeting of clothing workers at the Labor Temple.

Want To Weaken Labor

Aided by the vicious, labor-hating police thug Red Hynes and his gang of badged hoodlums, the M and M is determined to beat organized labor to its knees, Buzzell implied when he said that M and M officials had told him they did not want to destroy organized labor entirely, but to weaken it.

In an attempt to intimidate striking workers at the Rosenblum's, Inc. shop, a half-hour before the mass meeting was due to open Hynes' Red Squad swooped down on William Shainak, organizer for the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union, and hauled him off to jail, where he was held indefinitely for three days.

Brought into court on a writ of habeas corpus, Shainak was charged with "conspiracy to commit assault with a deadly weapon" and Judge R. McKay set bail at \$2500, which was immediately furnished and Shainak was released to appear for a preliminary hearing Monday morning, October 19.

Conventions Back The C.I.O. Up

CINCINNATI—The Negro workers have been kept unorganized by the reactionary craft unionists, and it's no wonder they favor industrial organization.

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, held here, heartily endorsed the Committee for Industrial Organization. The convention represented 6000 men and women workers.

CLOQUET, Minn.—The convention of the Minnesota Federation of Labor endorsed the steel organizing campaign of the C.I.O. and protested suspension of the C.I.O.

SALT LAKE CITY—The convention of the Utah State Federation of Labor called for dismissal of all charges against the C.I.O.

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